



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1043

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF CONSUMERS FROM
UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS, CRIMINAL SIMULATION AND THE
RESALE OF TICKETS TO ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 20-341 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2007*):

4 (a) Any person who engages in or practices the work or occupation
5 for which a license is required by this chapter without having first
6 obtained an apprentice permit or a certificate and license for such
7 work, or who wilfully employs or supplies for employment a person
8 who does not have a certificate and license for such work, or who
9 wilfully and falsely pretends to qualify to engage in or practice such
10 work or occupation, or who engages in or practices any of the work or
11 occupations for which a license is required by this chapter after the
12 expiration of [his] such person's license, or who violates any other
13 provision of this chapter, unless the penalty is otherwise specifically
14 prescribed, shall be [fined not more than two hundred dollars for each
15 such violation] guilty of a class B misdemeanor. Notwithstanding
16 subsection (d) of section 53a-29 or section 54-56e, if the court
17 determines that a person who violated the provisions of this
18 subsection cannot fully repay any victim of the violations committed
19 by such person within the period of probation established in

20 subsection (d) of section 53a-29 or section 54-56e, the court may impose
21 probation for a period of not more than five years.

22 Sec. 2. Section 53a-141 of the general statutes is repealed and the
23 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

24 (a) A person is guilty of criminal simulation when: (1) With intent to
25 defraud, he makes or alters any object in such manner that it appears
26 to have an antiquity, rarity, source or authorship which it does not in
27 fact possess; or (2) with knowledge of its true character and with intent
28 to defraud, he issues or possesses an object so simulated.

29 (b) Criminal simulation is a class [A misdemeanor] D felony.

30 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) Any person who resells a
31 ticket to an entertainment event, including, but not limited to, a
32 sporting event, a concert or a theatrical or operatic performance, shall
33 refund to the purchaser of such ticket the full amount, including all
34 service fees and delivery charges, paid by the purchaser for such ticket
35 if any of the following occurs: (1) The event for which the ticket is
36 resold is cancelled; (2) the ticket received by the purchaser does not
37 grant the purchaser admission to the event described on the ticket; or
38 (3) the ticket fails to conform to its description as advertised by the
39 ticket reseller.

40 (b) A person who resells a ticket pursuant to subsection (a) of this
41 section shall provide the purchaser of such ticket with such ticket
42 reseller's name, address and telephone number or other information
43 necessary to allow such purchaser to contact such ticket reseller to
44 obtain a refund of the ticket price, if necessary.

45 (c) A violation of subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of this
46 section or of subsection (b) of this section is a class B misdemeanor.

47 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) (a) No person shall resell,
48 offer to resell or solicit the resale of a ticket to an entertainment event,
49 including, but not limited to, a sporting event, a concert or a theatrical

50 or operatic performance, on the day of such event, within one
 51 thousand five hundred feet of the physical structure where such event
 52 is scheduled to take place, if such resale is not authorized, in writing,
 53 by the owner or operator of such structure or event or a duly
 54 authorized agent of such owner or operator.

55 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section do not apply to a
 56 ticket reseller who: (1) Resells a ticket for not greater than the face
 57 value printed on the ticket; or (2) maintains a permanent office within
 58 one thousand five hundred feet of the physical structure where the
 59 entertainment event is scheduled to take place.

60 (c) A violation of subsection (a) of this section is a class A
 61 misdemeanor.

62 Sec. 5. Section 53-289 of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*
 63 *October 1, 2007*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	20-341(a)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	53a-141
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	Repealer section

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